

Constitutional Powers of the President

Directions: Read pages 330-337 in your packet and answer the following questions.

1. Why were the framers of the Constitution so vague in describing the power of the President?
2. This vagueness has allowed powers of the President to do what over time?

3. What Article of the U.S. Constitution deals with the Executive Branch?

4. List and Define the 3 roles that the President has as Chief Executive of the Country:
 - A. _____ --
 - B. _____ --
 - C. _____ --
5. Give an example in U.S. History where the President has essentially started a war without Congress actually declaring war?
6. What is the difference between a Treaty and an Executive agreement?
7. The President is supposed to make a state of the Union address every January. What does he talk about in this address?
8. Which major power makes the President a force in the law making process? What can override this Presidential power?

9. Which President had the most vetoes in his time as President? How many was it?

_____ with _____ vetoes.

10. What role does the Vice-President play in the Senate?

11. Give an example of an executive order issued by a president?

12. When do Presidents typically give most Executive Orders?

13. What power do Presidents have with regard to the judicial branch?

14. What is Pardoning Power? Which branch of the Government does this power check?

Pardoning Power-

Checks the _____ Branch